



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
FOOD & AGRICULTURE
Karen Ross, Secretary

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TO: All County Agricultural Commissioners
FROM: Plant Health and Pest Prevention Services
SUBJECT: **A and Q Pest Report No. 25-2011**
Weekly A and Q Report: For the week of June 16-22, 2011

Attached is the report for all A and Q pests intercepted or detected in California from June 16-22, 2011. Pests are identified by the California Department of Food and Agriculture's Plant Pest Diagnostics Laboratory.

Gypsy Moth

PDR: 5034580



On June 13, 2011, Truckee Border Station Inspector Jozo Vujeva intercepted a live A-rated gypsy moth (*Lymantria dispar*) larva on an apple tree originating from Buffalo, New York. The tree was found among household goods in a rental truck destined for Sacramento. The tree was destroyed at the Truckee Border Protection Station. Gypsy moth is subject to the Federal Domestic Quarantine (CFR 301.45) and is a destructive pest of trees and shrubs, and has infested many states in the northeast United States, resulting in massive defoliation.

Since May 1, 2011, there have been four interceptions at the border protection stations of viable or possibly viable

gypsy moth life stages (larva, eggs, and pupa) on incoming shipments of household moving equipment, trees, automobiles and firewood.

All counties are advised to take appropriate action when live gypsy moths are intercepted on incoming shipments in accordance with the protocol specified in the County Pest Exclusion Procedural Training Manual, Section 4.2.4 and the Gypsy Moth Referral Program Procedural Manual Section III-M.

Detailed information regarding these procedures for handling gypsy moth finds, both viable and nonviable, can be found at the following links:

<http://phpps.cdfa.ca.gov/Plant/PE/CPTM/pdf/Section4.pdf>.

<http://phpps.cdfa.ca.gov/Plant/PE/CPTM/pdf/GypsyMothReferralProgram.pdf>

If you have any questions regarding pest interceptions listed under the action codes Quarantine - State Exterior (01) or Quarantine - State Interior (02), contact Terra Walber at twalber@cdfa.ca.gov.

